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Increased Emphasis on Intelligence Support

ONGRATULATIONS to AFCEA on its 35th anniversary, and best wishes for your continued success. While somewhat new in my present position, I am well aware of the vital contributions to our national security made by the many companies which supply our communications and data systems, without which we could not fulfill our responsibilities.

In the period ahead, we will continue to place increasing emphasis on intelligence support to the policy makers of our nation. The demand for intelligence will continue to grow in direct proportion to our continuing concern with political and military developments outside our borders and to the ever expanding international problems in areas such as international terrorism, technology transfer, energy, narcotics and the many other important concerns facing all nations. These will not only place a heavy demand on our budget but will at the same time challenge us to produce new and innovative solutions.

Our effectiveness will depend in large measure on the continuing and ever increasing working relationships with many organizations, but, in particular, with elements of the Department of Defense and the com-



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panies supporting AFCEA. We are dedicated to our mission and will continue to enlist assistance in meeting the intelligence challenges of the 80s. Again, thank you for the opportunity to give you some thoughts on the intelligence community. You have my continuing good wishes.